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Column One
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NONE of the Powers and no combination of them yet feels strong enough to make concessions for the sake of international stability. Molotov's statement on Friday night was an attempt to justify the Soviet note of November 2, which replied to the western proposals for a 4-Power conference of Foreign Ministers; and again emphasized the Soviet argument that no European settlement and especially no German settlement was possible side by side with the West's determination to go with its plans for a European Defence Community based on the rearmament of West Germany. Soviet fears of a rearmed Germany have been increased by the evidence of what seems to be a widespread resistance movement within East Germany, which is alleged — without anyone bothering to deny it — to be directed or at any rate fostered from centres in West Germany. It is in any event not surprising that the Russians should be as much unnerved by the prospect of German rearmament as the French are; and for that reason are unwilling to bring about a unified Germany which might carry its armed forces up against the present—disputed—frontiers of Poland.

AT the same time the western Powers are committed to the E.D.C. treaties and feel themselves by no means strong enough to forgo Germany's twelve divisions (for a start) as long as Russia keeps powerful forces lined up along her frontier and with bases in Finland, Poland and Hungary. In a sense, the delay in Germany's rearmament is regarded by Washington and London, if not by Paris, as a perilous weakness of the western defence system; and to that extent it is one of the reasons why the western Powers feel unable to make any substantial move towards four-Power agreement. The Russian insistence upon a Foreign Ministers' agenda to include not only E.D.C. but also the question of American and British bases on foreign territory, strategically designed to hem Russia in, therefore goes beyond anything the western Powers could contemplate with safety at this stage.

IT is a ridiculous situation if, as we are told, none of the Powers really wants war: not the United States, not Soviet Russia and certainly not Britain or France. And there is no good reason to doubt what we are told on that score. When Sir Winston Churchill, at the opening of the new Parliamentary session at Westminster, said it was reasonable to conclude that "internal prosperity rather than external conquest is not only the deep desire of the Russian peoples, but also the long-term interest of their rulers," he was not exaggerating or giving way to complacency. He was stating what appears to be an evident fact; but evident not only in the case of Soviet Russia: his words were equally true of Britain and France and of the responsible rulers and the bulk of the U.S. people as well. The situation, therefore, would indeed seem to be ridiculous. And must remain so, according to some influential western observers, because Soviet policy based on a desire for "internal prosperity rather than external conquest" is not necessarily irreconcilable with a policy of "all mischief short of war."

THAT may be true. But if the West acts on the assumption that although Sir Winston Churchill's judgment is a fair one it would be silly to do anything about it, what alternative is there to both sides going straight ahead, without such diversions as Lugano or Bermuda, preparing for the inevitable moment when "all mischief short of war" shall become war itself? The trouble now is not that each side is anxious to display its strength but that each is terrified of the consequences of revealing its weakness to the other. Both therefore talk bigger than either has a right to. And mischief short of war breeds mischief short of war, to the greater complication of what has come to be known as cold war. That is where the British Prime Minister may, after all, be the realist, not the idealist his critics think; for it is clear that something other and better than a conventional conference is needed to clear away the misunderstandings, and perhaps the mischief itself, which have doomed one conference after another to failure and will go on doing so.

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Mossadegh Hears Court Is 'Competent'

LONDON, Sunday. — The Military court trying former Premier Mohammed Mossadegh has declared itself competent to deal with the case, Teheran Radio reported tonight.

The court also decided that it is qualified to try the ex-Premier's co-defendant, former Chief of Staff Brigadier Takki Riahi, the Radio said.

This paves the way for the trial proper to begin. Both men face the death penalty if convicted.

After the decision, the Prosecutor began reading the indictment, asking for the death penalty if the former Prime Minister is convicted.

Mossadegh and his former Chief of Staff are charged with attempting to overthrow the constitutional monarch of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi. In an unrivalled display of histrionics which the prosecutor called "funnier than Charlie Chaplin," Mossadegh has declared throughout the week-long trial that the court is not competent to try him.

Mossadegh contended that he has never formally been dismissed as Premier and that only a civil court has the right to try him.

The court had swept aside Mossadegh's contentions that he must have a jury trial, that the Army court is illegal because he himself decreed its abolition and that Brigadier Azemodeh is unable to sit as prosecutor because he was formerly one of Mossadegh's subordinates.

Doctors rushed a tonic to the ailing 72-year-old Mossadegh during his morning session as he sat hunched up in the drab prison greatcoat he has worn throughout the trial.

They said that he was suffering from a mild heart attack, and his attorney, Colonel Borozgmehr, confirmed that he had been having attacks "regularly and with increasing intensity."

(Reuter, UP)

MAC Meeting In Jerusalem Today

The Israel Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission is due to meet in Jerusalem this morning to discuss the renewal of the Local Commanders' agreement, ANA reports.

The agency said that yesterday Jordan submitted a complaint to the MAC that an Israel Army unit had penetrated the Jordan village of Shuweika in the Tulkarm area. The unit attacked a group of villagers picking olives and exchanged fire with the National Guard, the report alleged. In the ensuing clash, that lasted for 20 minutes, a Jordan woman was seriously injured and casualties were inflicted on the Israel unit, it was claimed.

Sheep and Cattle Recross the Border

A herd of sheep, stolen in the Negev by infiltrators last week, was returned to Israel at a Local Commanders' meeting, Itim reports from Beersheba.

The Arab News Agency reported that Israel returned to Jordan 114 head of cattle out of a total of 179 head which had strayed over the armistice lines.

US Plane Missing

REYKJAVIK, ICELAND, Sunday (Reuter). — A Gruman Albatross flying boat with five American airmen on board was reported missing tonight after the pilot had radioed that one of his two engines had failed and the aircraft was losing height.

The aircraft, operated by the U.S. defence forces at Keflavik airport, left there for Narssarswak airfield on the western coast of Greenland.

Eshkol Offers Maximum Rate Of IL.1.500 for $1 to Fruit Growers

The Ministry of Finance will offer citrus exporters a maximum rate of IL.1.500 to the dollar, Mr. Levi Eshkol told the Press in Jerusalem yesterday. The growers have been demanding IL.1.800.

Mr. Eshkol announced that his compromise offer is the highest possible as the 800 pruta bonus is given only where weak industries have to be helped by the Government. He thought that the citrus industry could make a sufficient profit with an exchange rate a little higher than last year's IL.1.270 to the dollar.

The rate of IL.1.800 demanded by the industry, which was firmly established, would only encourage inefficient producers, he contended.

After pointing out that before the War of Independence a dunam of citrus yielded 150 boxes and now the average was about 70, Mr. Eshkol said that growers who produce 100 cases a dunam would reap quite reasonable profits at his proposed rate. A IL.1.800 rate would grant an undeserved margin of profit to those who grow about 70 cases.

The Minister gave the impression that the Treasury's Equalization Fund would be hard put to bear the difference between his proposed maximum rate and the industry's demand.

The exact rate will be fixed after the Citrus Marketing Board mission reports on its arrangements with various European buyers, he announced.

UJA CONVENTION PLEDGES $75m.

CHICAGO, Sunday (INA).—The United Jewish Appeal Convention meeting here today pledged to raise $75m. for a five-year loan to meet Israel's short term obligations.

Nixon to Visit Iran At Ike's Request

TOKYO, Sunday (UP). — Vice-President Richard Nixon announced today that he will visit Iran at the request of President Eisenhower.

He will stop in Iran on his way back to the U.S. and is expected to remain there two or three days, which will delay his return to Washington until about December 14.

Mr. Nixon, in announcing the Iran visit, stressed that "I am going to Iran at the request of President Eisenhower, and I will bring with me the friendship and respect of the American people, who share with the President and myself a deep concern for the well-being of Iran."

Mr. Nixon made the Iran announcement only a few hours after arriving here.

Cabinet to 'Freeze' Civil Service Jobs

At its weekly meeting yesterday, the Cabinet dealt with the Inheritance Bill and referred it to the Ministerial Committee for further discussion, the official communique stated.

The Minister for Religious Affairs, the Foreign Minister and the Minister of Interior were appointed to the Administrative Committee of "Yad Va-Shem" in addition to the Minister of Education and Culture. The Ministerial Committee for Internal Affairs and Services was authorized to confirm the by-laws of "Yad Va-Shem."

The Minister of Labour was delegated to implement the National Service Law.

The Cabinet decided to issue 250 pruta paper currency notes.

In a special session in the afternoon, attended by the Chief of Staff, the Cabinet summed up its discussion on military and security problems.

A *Jerusalem Post* correspondent adds:

Civil service establishments are to be frozen at their present level, according to a decision made by the Cabinet at the weekly session in Jerusalem yesterday. Mr. David Ben Gurion presided, and later returned to Tiberias to continue his leave. He is expected to preside over next week's meeting.

The Cabinet also began a discussion on the results of the conference on Israel Law held at Harvard University in July, 1952.

USSR Bans Naval Sites to Foreigners

MOSCOW, Sunday (UP). — The Soviet Government has banned visits by foreigners to five more areas, including the site of a major naval base near Stalingrad, it was announced today.

The announcement to the Diplomatic Corps was dated November 12 and followed up a relaxation on restricted areas on June 22.

The new restricted areas are Iokanga on the Kola Peninsula, Balaklava on the Crimean Peninsula, Rosta, Severomorsk, and Cronstadt, site of Baltic-Sea naval installations.

First Citrus to Leave Tomorrow for Austria

HAIFA, Sunday. — Citrus exports will be resumed this week when a shipment of 2,000 cases of tangerines and 300 cases of grapefruit for Austria will leave in the s.s. Messapia on Tuesday. They will be sent through Trieste.

On Thursday, the s.s. Balsland is due to take 8,000 cases of grapefruit to Scandinavia. More fruit carriers are to arrive here this week.

Israel Group in Moscow For Citrus Talks

MOSCOW, Sunday (Reuter). — A delegation of the Israel Citrus Marketing Board, here to sell oranges to the Soviet Union, called at the Foreign Trade Ministry yesterday to prepare for talks.

The delegation comprises Mr. Avraham Polanyi and Mr. Wasserman, members of the Citrus Board, and Mr. Ze'ev Argaman, Commercial Counsellor of the Israel Foreign Ministry. The delegation flew in on Friday with Mr. Yehuda L. Gideon, an Israel diplomat, who is preparing for the re-establishment of the Israel Legation.

Mr. Gideon said that negotiations for a new Legation building and apartments were almost complete, and he hoped that Israel Minister, Mr. Samuel Eliashiv, would probably leave Stockholm for Moscow at the end of the coming week.

Jordan to Reply To Israel Offer At U.N. Today

UNITED NATIONS, Sunday (Reuter). — Jordan is expected to reply tomorrow in the U.N. Security Council to the Israel offer to hold bilateral talks here "without delay" on the tense border situation between the two countries.

The Council will renew its debate on the relations between Israel and her neighbours with particular reference to the Kibya incident of October 14 when an estimated 42 inhabitants of the Jordan village were killed, allegedly by Israel forces.

Dr. Charles Malik, of the Lebanon, is expected to speak first, followed by Dr. Yousef Heickal, of Jordan, who will give his Government's reaction to the Israel suggestion of talks at U.N. headquarters.

A resolution reportedly seeking to censure Israel and propose the strengthening of the Truce Supervision Organization has been under consultation by Britain, France and the U.S. for two weeks.

It was understood there is a possibility that this resolution might be introduced at the Council's meeting either late on Monday after Jordan has spoken or on Tuesday if the Council meets on that day.

Church of England Paper Defends Israel, Hits Glubb

LONDON, Sunday (INA). — A defence of Israel's position came yesterday from a most unexpected quarter, "The Church of England Newspaper."

The article criticised Britain for leaving General John Glubb, Commander of the Arab Legion, in charge of a force where it "could do the greatest possible damage to the Jewish cause," when the Mandate ended.

The paper attacked the Arab States for "ordering" Arabs to flee Israel territory and then exploiting their "wretchedness — maintaining anti-Semitic feeling at fever heat and keeping the refugees on hand for renewing the war."

The article concluded, "we have impartially decided that the Arabs are wrong."

Arabs, Johnston Aired Water Issue — Malik

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UP).— Dr. Charles Malik of the Lebanon said today that the Arab states could not negotiate for peace with Israel "unless and until Israel shows some respect for the world community and stops flouting United Nations decisions."

Malik was interviewed by a group of citizens on a nation-wide television programme entitled the "American forum of the air."

Malik was asked why the Arab states refuse to discuss tentative proposals advanced by the United States for regional irrigation planning, and replied that the Arab states did discuss the problems with President Eisenhower's special envoy, Mr. Eric Johnston.

He said that the Arab states have their own irrigation projects, and "compared notes" with Mr. Johnston, and added that until Mr. Johnston reports to the President, he would not comment further.

("NEARS Asks", — P. 2, Col. 1)

'Newspaper Curtain' Used by Israel--Hassuna

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter). — Abdul Khalek Hassuna, Secretary General of the Arab League, said here that a "newspaper curtain" is keeping the "facts about the Middle East" from the American public.

"Much of the bitterness in the Arab world stems from the belief that press and other media of information in your country are so controlled by supporters of Israel that it is impossible for the American public to receive a fair, unbiased picture of what is occurring in the Middle East today.

"Sometimes," he said, "we are discouraged in our hope that Americans may ever come to know and understand us, when we realize the strength of Zionist pressure upon your newspapers, radio and television through powerful advertisers."

'Death by Starvation' Before Peace—'A-Diffa'

"We assure the U.S., the masters of Israel, that we Arabs would rather die of starvation than sit down to talk peace with Israel," the Old City daily "A-Diffa" wrote yesterday. This is the first comment in the Jordan press on Ambassador Abba Eban's speech in the Security Council.

"Neither threats nor promises can make us change our mind: on the contrary, our self-sacrifice may inflame the Arab and Moslem worlds and cause them to seek revenge," the paper concludes.

A similar line was taken by the Beirut daily, "El Hayat."

250 Pruta Notes In Circulation Today

A new 250 pruta note will be put into circulation today to facilitate currency circulation. The new notes will be about twice as large as the current 50 and 100 pruta notes and will be printed on stiffer paper.

Within a few months newly minted 50 and 100 pruta coins will be put into circulation.

'World on the Mend,' Churchill Believes

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Sir Winston Churchill said today the prospects of peace were growing stronger "and the feeling is that the world is on the mend."

In a message to the Conservative candidate in the North London by-election, the Prime Minister said that when the Conservatives took over two years ago, things were going from bad to worse. "In spite of the millions the Socialists had got from America, we were fast sliding into bankruptcy. Now there is a marked change. We are solvent and rebuilding our reserves. We are on the road to economic independence."

Diplomatic quarters here said Britain, France and the U.S. will tell Russia in a note this week that they are prepared to meet her at a Foreign Ministers conference on Germany as soon as she withdraws her conditions for such a meeting.

Their note, already virtually agreed upon by experts in Paris, will not be affected M. V. M. Molotov's Moscow press conference at which the Soviet Foreign Minister tried to offset the bad effects on the West of the November 3 Soviet note to the Western Powers.

Then, the Kremlin ignored a specific Western invitation to a conference at Lugano and laid down harder conditions for such a meeting than ever before.

Diplomatic quarters here pointed out that in the recent exchanges Britain, France and the U.S. have considerably changed their stand in an effort to get a meeting — at first suggesting an agenda, but in their last note proposing discussion of "all aspects" of the German problem.

Bevan Says Moscow Ready to Negotiate

COVENTRY, Sunday (Reuter). — Labour's left-wing leader, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, declared here today in a reference to the recent Russian note replying to the West's invitation to a conference in Lugano that "it is perfectly clear that the Soviet Union has not closed the door and is prepared to negotiate."

"Why has it been necessary for Mr. Molotov to hold a press conference so soon after the note has been sent?" Mr. Bevan asked. "It is because he has felt that the Western world has not understood it."

Many people thought that Russia was about to launch a great military attack across Europe. He had never believed this. He said that the same mistakes were being made by Britain and America in their attitude to People's China as Britain had made previously in her attitude to Russia.

Mr. Bevan declared, "We should try to establish as many contacts as possible with China and try to build between our two countries as much reciprocal trade as possible. It is necessary for us to tell America that we are no longer prepared to follow her in her policy on China. We should not let world leadership fall into the hands of American tycoons."

Labour M.P. Woodrow Wyatt said tonight that Sir Winston Churchill would seek American approval for a Conference between himself and Soviet Premier Malenkov at the forthcoming Bermuda Conference.

'Pravda' Attacks Aims Of Bermuda Conference

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — "Pravda," the Soviet newspaper, referring to the forthcoming Bermuda Conference, today said "the specific aims and separatist character of that Conference cannot of course make a contribution in understanding the international situation."

"What problems are Eisenhower, Churchill and Laniel getting ready to solve in their closed circle?" "Pravda" asked, and answered, quoting a New York paper as asserting that the Conference would deal with Germany, Korea, Indo-China, Trieste, the Saar, the Suez, the West's dispute with China, the suspended Anglo-Egyptian talks and the settlement of the Anglo-Iranian oil problem.

"But when a Conference is proposed with the participation of the Soviet Union, the U.S. and their partners limit the agenda to Germany alone."

Tories Reported In Revolt Over Suez Canal Talks

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Sunday. — Rumours current last week of a Conservative revolt against the impending agreement with Egypt thickened today with what appears to be a reliable report that a formal warning to the Cabinet has been delivered by some 25 Conservative Members of Parliament.

The group, which is led by two of the ablest among the younger Tories, Mr. Enoch Powell and Mr. Julian Amery, is stated to have threatened open rebellion if British troops are not permitted to stay at Suez, and if the agreement does not provide for the automatic reactivization of the Base in certain specified emergencies other than a direct threat to an Arab League country.

Mr. Powell, who carries considerable weight among Tory back-benchers, gave warning of this attitude on November 5 in a Commons' debate when he also sharply attacked American policy in the Middle East.

The defection of this group would rob the Government of its majority if Labour decided for other reasons to oppose the Treaty, and today there are fresh rumours that Mr. C. R. Attlee and Mr. Hector McNeil are going to insist on a clause safeguarding Israel's interests.

But the main factor undoubtedly is the growing Conservative back-bench criticism of Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden.

Nagib Protests British Action in Sudan Vote

CAIRO, Sunday. — President Nagib today sent a strongly worded note to Sir Robert Howe, British Governor of the Sudan, protesting alleged violations by British administrators of Sudanese electoral freedom.

In Khartoum, the Sudan Executive Council today gave electoral officers power to maintain order in polling stations not only from November 2 to December 5, the election period, but thereafter in case by-elections should be required. This was at the request of the Indian Chairman of the Electoral Commission, Mr. Sukumar Sen.

Nagib is due to leave Cairo early tomorrow for a five-day official visit to Nubia, Egypt's southernmost province bordering on the Sudan. He will be accompanied by Major Salah Salem, his Minister of National Guidance, and other Cabinet Ministers and members of the Revolution Council Command.

An aide of the President said that he would study the needs of Egypt's "forbidden population" on the spot. He plans to call at main provincial centres on his 940-mile train and steamer journey.

(Reuter, UP)

India Concerned at Reports That US Bases Planned in Pakistan

NEW DELHI, Sunday. — Indian Prime Minister Nehru today criticized colonial administration, and warned that the peoples of Africa and Asia would not submit "to those things which they had to endure previously."

At his first press conference for two months, Mr. Nehru also said that the matter of a military pact between America and Pakistan is of "intense concern to India, and something that would have far reaching consequences on the whole structure of things in South Asia.

"There is talk of bases being established in Pakistan," he told a questioner. "Pakistan is open to have bases, to have foreign troops, to have anything she likes. She is even open to give up her independence if she so chooses, or to limit it. We shall not interfere, but we are concerned with the consequences!"

Informed Washington sources have reported that exploratory talks on the possibility of an aid-for-bases agreement have been going on for some time in Karachi and Washington. But the State Department was said to be taking into account India's publicly expressed concern over any bilateral defence project between America and Pakistan.

In reply to another question, Mr. Nehru repeated the invitation for the deposed Premier of British Guiana, Dr. Cheddi Jagan, to address the Indian Government if he visited India. The Indian Government later would decide what, if anything, should be done, Mr Nehru added.

Other points he made were:

Bermuda conference: "I do not care whether it is a three-power meeting or a four-power. If it is four all the better. If five—better still." It had always been India's view that the great powers should get together face to face.

South Africa: The Union's policy is "the most flagrant example of racialism. It is a matter about which are unable to do anything. But it should be known that so far as we are concerned, there can be no compromise on racial discrimination anywhere."

Adenauer Sees 'Unique' Chance for French Accord

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter). — West German Chancellor Adenauer said today that there is a unique chance to begin a new chapter in European politics and that to miss this chance would be to incur the most serious historical guilt. He made this statement in an interview with "Die Neue Zeitung," the American High Commission newspaper in West Berlin.

The Chancellor said that he wished to come to an agreement with France. "I believe that there will hardly be any differences left between our countries once the Saar difficulty has been overcome."

New Identity Cards For East Germans

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter). — East German police offices are to issue new identity cards to all East Germans over 14 years of age as from today.

According to an East German Government announcement, new cards —"in the form of passports — will be handed out between November 15 and March 31. It is estimated that about 14 million will be issued.

No Exemptions

The Egyptian Minister of the Interior, Colonel Zakaria Mohieddin, said last night that foreigners would not be exempt from the decision regarding the confiscation of property acquired through marriage or inheritance from the Mohammed Ali dynasty, Cairo Radio reported.

Tito Willing to Forgo Trieste for Rest of Zone

BELGRADE, Sunday. — President Tito, in a speech here today, told a crowd that "we will not take Trieste (city) by force and, likewise, will not insist on getting it, because we know that they will not give it to us." But, he added, Yugoslavia "will insist and will persistently demand that the whole of Zone 'A' of the Free Territory of Trieste should be given us, as this is part of our territory, and we have a right to it."

The President warned Britain and the U.S. that a conflict between Yugoslavia and Italy is inevitable if Zone "A" is handed over to Italy, and that it would be a mistake to think that Yugoslavia's bitter resistance to the Anglo-American decision to this effect had died down.

Marshal Tito, addressing a mass rally in Republic Square to wind up the election campaign, attacked the Anglo-American military government in Zone "A" for allegedly continuing to exercise discrimination against the Yugoslav population there by keeping the old Italian fascist laws in force.

Tito

Rejects Plebiscite

He again rejected the proposal by Italian Premier Giuseppe Pella for a plebiscite to settle the future of the Free Territory. Yugoslavia, he said, is still alarmed at Italy's aggressive attitude toward her, although she wants to stretch out the hand of friendship.

Not only is Italy "rattling her sabres" on Yugoslavia's borders, but she is conducting an economic war. She had forbidden the export to Yugoslavia not only of war materials, but of fats and castor oil — "perhaps they need the latter for our population in Zone 'A'," he said, in reference to the past practice of Italian Fascists to compel their victims to drink large doses of castor oil."

(UP, Reuter)

5-Power Talks On Trieste Seen Assured

BELGRADE, Sunday (Reuter). — Foreign Secretary Koca Popovic said today that it appeared as though Yugoslavia's latest proposal for solving the Trieste dispute has been found acceptable to all parties.

The proposal, made 10 days ago, has not been published, but according to foreign press reports it urged an international conference of experts to find out what concessions Yugoslavia and Italy would be prepared to make in a compromise settlement.

Mr. Popovic, who was addressing 40,000 people in his parliamentary constituency of Novi Sad, Serbia, said that Yugoslavia had withheld publication of its proposal at the request of the Western Allies.

No Ulterior Motives

Stating that Yugoslavia wanted a conference with the Western Powers and Italy to examine the Trieste dispute, he declared, "We have no ulterior motives and no hidden designs."

Press reports have been published on the Yugoslav proposal, though newspapermen did not learn about it from Yugoslav sources. Judging by these reports, he remarked, "it seems that the essence and constructiveness of our proposal was understood as acceptable to all parties, and that it might very successfully direct efforts towards a gradual satisfactory solution."

Mr. Popovic added that he seriously feared that the favourable atmosphere brought about by the Yugoslav proposal might be disturbed by some new initiative of the Western powers.

No Changes

Yugoslavia insisted that any settlement resulting from a conference should not be prejudiced in advance, and that in the meantime no changes should be carried out in the Anglo-American Zone in favour of Italy.

Reports from Rome, meanwhile, said that the Italian Cabinet will meet tomorrow to frame the terms of Italy's acceptance of a "technical" five-power conference on Trieste.

The crucial point for the Cabinet to decide will be whether to go to this conference before military and civil control of Zone "A" of Trieste has been handed to Italy.

Political circles in Rome believe that the Government partially will climb down on this point, but only if Italy is assured of getting Zone "A" in the foreseeable future.

(Pella Profile, — P. 4)

PoW Explanations Resumed in Korea

PANMUNJOM, Sunday (UP). — Explanations to anti-Communist war prisoners will be resumed tomorrow after a 10-day stalemate. In a surprise move today, Commuist officers said that they will talk to North Koreans, a major reversal in tactics.

Communist attempts to win back some 22,500 North Korean and Chinese prisoners were halted 10 days ago because of Communist demands that they talk to 201 particular Chinese. For 10 days these Chinese refused to leave their compounds. Then, without a hint of what they were planning, the Communists about-faced yesterday, gave up their persistence on the balky Chinese and asked for North Koreans.

The Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission said that about 500 North Koreans are scheduled for interviews tomorrow.

Burma Extends Period For Chinese Evacuation

RANGOON, Sunday (Reuter).— Burma has agreed to allow Chinese Nationalist guerillas nine more attack-free days while their evacuation from Burma continues. A communique today said that Burmese troops would now refrain from attacking the guerillas until December 10.

Two thousand of an estimated 12,000 Chinese Nationalist guerillas, believed to have retreated in to Burma before the Chinese Communist Army in 1949, are being evacuated.

Today's communique said that 145 men had been evacuated since the withdrawal resumed on Friday. It had been suspended since last Sunday when Burma objected to a Chinese attempt to take with them 38 Shan tribesmen from Burma's Kengtung State.

On Friday, the Chinese agreed not to take any Burma nationals with them.

British Trade Group Arrives in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Sunday (Reuter). — A British trade mission arrived here today to start a tour of the Middle East during which it will explore the possibilities of markets here.

The mission is led by Sir Edwards Penhill, who has many business connections with the Far and Middle East and includes eight senior representatives of leading British merchants and industrial companies. Its members plan to spend 12 days in Iraq and later visit Kuwait, Beirut, Damascus and Jedda.

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Social & Personal

Rabbi P. Levin, member of the World Executive of Agudat Israel and Director of the Bet Ya'acov Institute, Jerusalem, has left for Europe and America.

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Mr. K. Ginzburg, the impresario, has returned to Tel Aviv from a prolonged tour of Europe, where he attended the Festivals of Edinburgh, Stratford and Salzburg.

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BIRTHS

BLUMENFELD—To Malka and Gidon Blumenfeld, Jerusalem, on Saturday, November 14, 1953, at the Hadassah Hospital—a daughter, Rivka.

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KAHN — To Shulamit (née Nesher) and Zvi Kahn, Jerusalem, on Sunday, Nov. 15, 1953, at the Hadassah Hospital — a daughter.

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MEMORIAL MEETING

Rabbi Prof. Simha Assaf

"B'nai B'rith", Jerusalem, hereby calls brethren of all lodges to a Memorial Meeting on the thirtieth day after the death of Rabbi Prof. Simha Assaf, who was Honorary President of "B'nai B'rith" in Israel. The meeting will take place tonight at 8 at Bet Hahalutzot, Rehavia, Jerusalem.

Jewish Veterans Parade In London

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Some 6,000 Jewish ex-servicemen and women attended their annual Remembrance Service in Whitehall today.

They had come from all parts of Britain and marched to the Horse Guards Parade, led by military bands.

The service of remembrance for the dead of two world wars was conducted by the Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie and the Senior Jewish Chaplain to the Forces Rev. I. Levy. The parade was inspected by Minister of Defence Earl Alexander.

Later, the ex-servicemen marched to the Cenotaph where wreaths were laid.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

- **Archaeology:** — Permanent Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Daily 9—1, 4—6.
- **Exhibitions:** — Works by Ze'ev Ben-Zvi: 28 Canadian Paintings: "Girl," by Chaim Soutine; "New Hellenistic and Roman glass vessels". Bezalel National Museum, 9-1, 3-5. Works by Rico Blass and Jacob Pins. Artists House. 10-1 4-6.
- **Lecture:** — Aryeh Ilan, Political Adviser to the Israel MAC delegation. "The Border Situation and M.A.C. Problems" (in easy Hebrew): Hitachdut Olei America, 9 Rehov Shlomzion Hamalka; 8.30 p.m.
- **Tour:** — Hebrew University conducted tour, new administration building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.
- **Film Shows:** — Keren Hayesod. 11.30-12.30.

TEL AVIV

- **Exhibitions:** — Paintings and sculptures by the New Horizons group; Leonardo, the Artist and Man of Science; Museum. 10-1 4-7.
- **Theatre:** — "Nasr-a-Din": Chamber Theatre, Mograbi, 8 p.m. "Caution, Road Under Repair," La-La-Lo, Jasha Heifetz Hall, 7.15 & 9.45 p.m.

HAIFA

- **Gramophone Recital** Beethoven's 7th and 8th symphonies, — L.P. records — Pevsner House, 8 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

- **Theatre:** — De-Re-Mi. "Countess Maritza," Operetta. Rama Hall. 8.30 p.m.

Press Review :

What Will Jordan Reply?

Israel-Arab relations, and particularly the new proposals for direct negotiations with Jordan, was the main subject of editorial comment in yesterday's newspapers. "How will Amman reply?" asks "Ha'aretz" (Independent), commenting that the negative answer given by the Jordan Minister in Washington cannot be taken as an official reply.

"Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) welcomes Mr. Eban's proposals for direct talks with Jordan and says that if the Security Council refuses to accept them, it will undoubtedly be interpreted by all objective observers as encouragement of aggression, and responsibility for further bloodshed will be on the Security Council. The paper concludes by saying that the negative attitude of the Arab representatives to the suggestion of peace talks is only natural, but the representatives of the powers can hardly afford to let the Security Council become an instrument for the encouragement of aggression, instead of the advancement of peace.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) quotes its New York correspondent as saying that Mr. Eban's speech was brilliant, and its inherent logic and truth indisputable, but it could not impress the representatives of the powers, because these had already made up their minds on the subject. The Arabs thus remain aggressive and the smaller countries, more sympathetic to Israel, have not dared to say so in the debate. Britain rejects direct Israel-Jordan talks out of hand.

"Zmanim" (Progressive) says that Mr. Eban's proposals must be followed up with a "peace offensive." Recent incidents and Arab propaganda have made the world forget that Israel has a basic and permanent willingness to make peace with its neighbours. The Government and Zionist information services abroad have to be mobilized to make that essential fact known.

Hostile Attitude

"Davar" (Histadrut) deals with the very hostile attitude revealed by the British representative at U.N. towards Israel and the idea of Israel-Arab talks. The paper notes that Sir Gladwyn Jebb has been anxious to prevent any debate on the root of the evil and on measures to restore peace: he is interested only in "condemning" Israel. The paper states that if the Western Powers, with Britain in the lead, take no decision to prevent aggression and infiltration, any "condemnation" of Israel will be utterly devoid of moral weight. The paper notes at the same time the continuance of marauding, the number of attacks having reached 20 since the Western Powers' declarations.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) also deals with the renewed terrorist attacks and says that the provocative and systematic character of these murders demands energetic and planned counteraction. It says that these acts have to be made known at once throughout the world.

"Herut" criticizes Mr. Eban's speech for not having declared unequivocally that the bloodshed on Israel's frontiers has been organized by the British. The peace offer at the present moment, with Israel appearing as a "defendant" and the Big Powers not being interested in such a peace, is bad diplomacy. In a second leader "Herut" deals with the 16th anniversary of "the end to *"havlaga,"* (self-restraint) in response to the Arab riots.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) sharply criticises General Bennike for having declared in an interview with the Danish paper "Politiken" that "one cannot compel people to make peace while they still hate their enemy." The paper says that the aim of the U.N. is the preservation of peace, although strong interests are at work now hindering attempts to get to the root of Israel-Arab tension.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) had no editorial: the paper report further "long ovations" in honour of Mr. S. Mikunis, the Party leader, on his 50th birthday and the many gifts given him by the local Party which symbolise "the deep feeling of love for the great fighting leader and teacher-comrade."

Feast of Gifts In Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"The Feast of Lights is the Feast of Gifts" is the slogan of a Hanukka sales campaign sponsored by the Jerusalem Merchants' Association.

As part of the campaign, every purchaser of goods from IL.3 up in any participating shop from now until Hanukka will be given a ticket for a lottery with prizes which include a radio set, a bicycle, tableware and furniture.

It is expected that more than 200 shops will take part in the campaign to make Jerusalem Hanukka-gift conscious. The sales campaign is also designed as the second phase of the Beautify the Capital programme initiated by the Merchants' Association during the Conquest of the Desert Exhibition.

The Association's members are cooperating with the Municipality in plans to decorate streets and public buildings with bunting, emblems and eight branch candelabra.

Modern Israel Impresses Touring Octogenarians

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mrs. Annie Cummings and Mrs. Margaret Storrier, who spent a week in Israel after winning a lottery in New York, said today in an interview that they are impressed with the country's modernity.

"We really thought that Israel was one of those ancient countries relishing their historic memories," Mrs. Cummings said in her pleasant Scotch accent. "We found a modern country; everyone understands us and was ever so polite."

They are leaving tomorrow for Rome and will spend a week in Paris, later visiting their native Scotland from which they emigrated 25 years ago. They have not returned there since.

They recalled with enthusiasm passing Mr. Ben Gurion's house. "How simply he lives," said Mrs. Cummings. Asked whether she had heard the name before, she replied with a smile "Well, frankly, no, but we have read a lot about Israel in the U.S. Press."

Both ladies complained that the local Press had emphasized the fact that they are 80 years old. "We don't feel it," they said.

ABOUT 80 unemployeed from Rehovot paraded yesterday before the Ministry of Labour offices in Tel Aviv. They left quietly after being promised that their demands would receive attention.

Huleh Drainage Work Speeded

Excavation of the approach canal to the Huleh swamps has been completed, and operations at the reclamation project are being stepped up to a 24-hour-a-day pace, the Jewish National Fund announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

Chief Engineer E. Berachyahu, in charge of the project on behalf of the J.N.F., said that the 800 metre long and five metre deep approach canal was excavated by a 700 hp dredger, while a floating dredger, of 2,000 hp, is being assembled and is expected to go into operation later this week. The two "giant dredgers," of a size never before used in Israel, were brought from the U.S. by Construction Aggregates Corporation, of Chicago, Ill., which is carrying out the present stage of the Huleh reclamation project on behalf of the J.N.F.

Actual drainage work is to start in a few days, Mr. Berachyahu said. The purpose of the three drainage canals which are to be dug through the 60,000 dunam-wide, malaria-stricken swamp area, is to collect swamp waters and to bring the waters of the Upper Jordan and of the adjacent streams into new riverbeds, thus converting the Huleh Valley into agricultural land.

This purpose will be achieved chiefly by the 19.5 km. long and 45 metre broad eastern canal, while the rest of the swamps will be absorbed by the 16 km. long western canal. The southern outlets of both canals will meet in the centre of Lake Huleh, where they will join the old riverbed of the Jordan, deepened by the JNF in the first stage of the reclamation project.

The first step in the new stage of the operations, about to start before the end of this month, will be the excavation of a four km. long northern canal which will form a link between the parallel eastern and western canals. About 2.5 million cubic metres of earth are to be excavated in the course of the operation, which is expected to last until the beginning of 1955.

Mr. Berachyahu pointed out that there was no connection whatsoever between the J.N.F. Huleh reclamation project, and the Hydroelectric Project of the Water Planning Authority farther south, now being discussed by the U.N. Security Council.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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AT THE CINEMA

ITALIAN FILM HAS PACIFIST MESSAGE

'IL Cristo Prohibito' (Edison, J'lem) tells the story of an Italian prisoner of war (Raf Vallone) returning to his village after the war, to find that his brother has been killed by a friend during the Fascist terrorist regime. He is possessed by thoughts of revenge which are only dispersed after a poor carpenter (Alain Cuny) tries to sacrifice himself in the culprit's stead to atone for a murder he committed 20 years earlier.

What is so overwhelming about this great picture, written and directed by Curzio Malaparte who also composed the score, is the pacifist and humanitarian message that the innocent invariably suffer together with the guilty and that bloodshed is the root of all evil.

Oilrush

VITTORIO de Sica's 'Miracle in Milan' (Hazamir, J'lem) has been held over for a third week. There is such an abundance of ingenious ideas, that this film must be seen at least twice in order to be appreciated.

'PALACE Hotel' (Or-Gil, J'lem) directed with elegance and poise by Leonard Steckel, is an uncommonly entertaining adventure story about a theft in a Swiss Hotel, of which an employee (Katne Gold) and her little son are suspected. Besides the human angle and the fine cast (including Gustav Knuth) the atmosphere of the fashionable winter sports hotel, with its characteristic music, and the snowy landscape are a treat.

FRANGO

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at 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Affair in Trinidad.
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EDISON: Il Cristo Prohibito. at 6.30 & 8.30 only.
HAZAMIR: Miracle in Milan, 3rd week, at 5.15, 7 & 9 p.m.
OR-GIL: Palace Hotel, at 5.15, 7 & 9 p.m.
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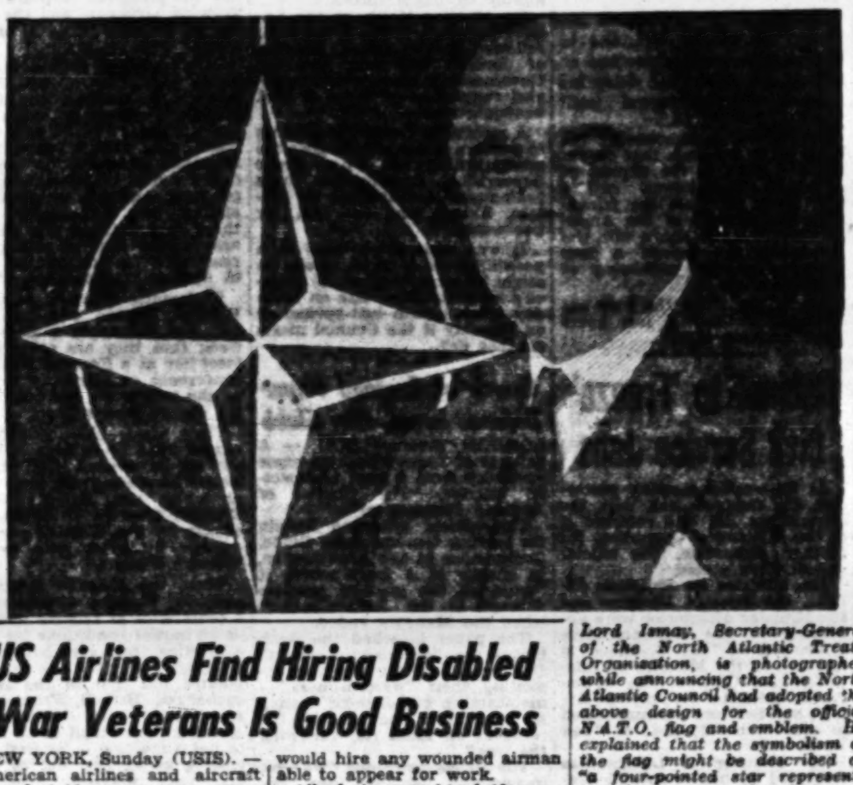

Lord Ismay, Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, is photographed while announcing that the North Atlantic Council had adopted the above design for the official N.A.T.O. flag and emblem. He explained that the symbolism of the flag might be described as "a four-pointed star representing the compass that keeps us on the right road, the path of peace, and a circle representing the unity that binds together the 14 countries of N.A.T.O." The emblem is white on a navy blue background. Express Photo

US Airlines Find Hiring Disabled War Veterans Is Good Business

NEW YORK, Sunday (USIS). — American airlines and aircraft manufacturing concerns are among the first in the U.S. to employ disabled war veterans and recently report that hiring the handicapped is good business.

"The increasing recognition that disabled persons, properly placed, make good employees shows that industry has made similar progress in the field of human engineering," reports Dr. Howard A. Rusk in "The New York Times."

Suffered Lack of Men

About 10 years ago, Dr. Rusk says, U.S. airlines suffered from lack of experienced men. At that time many of the U.S. casualties from World War II were returning home. In a desperate effort to obtain some experienced help, Captain Edward V. Rickenbacker, President of Eastern Airlines, telegraphed the commander of the U.S. Army Air Forces that his company would hire any wounded airman able to appear for work. Of [illegible] the men hired 10 years ago are still with the company and [illegible] in Eastern's entire industrial [illegible], Captain Rickenbacker said recently.

The Hughes Aircraft Company in California employed its first disabled veteran in 1950, and today has 200 handicapped workers in its employ, Dr. Rusk says. The workers are used in such fields as electrical and industrial engineering, technical writing, engineering, drafting, tool planning and designing, machine and assembly work and many types of clerical jobs.

Mr. Ira C. Eaker, Vice President of the Hughes Company, reports, "the work of other employees has improved because they have been spurred to do a better job by the example set for them by the handicapped workers."

The U.S. Air Force now employs 29,000 physically handicapped civilians in jobs of all sorts. These include a stenographer who works from a wheelchair, a blind secretary who takes dictation and types, and a deaf man who is among its most efficient card-punch operators.

Population Rises In September

The country's population increased by more than 4,000 in September, the current issue of the Monthly Statistical Bulletin reveals.

This figure comprises a 3,300 natural increase and 900 more arrivals than departures.

The total population at the end of September was 1,658,007, of whom 1,473,868 were Jews.

The surplus of arrivals over departures in September was due to the fact that a large number of Israel residents returned from visits and missions abroad. It does not indicate a reversal of the trend, which in previous months showed an immigration deficit.

DEATH. — Tahnbi Ramaswamy Naidoo, President of the Transvaal Indian Congress and an adopted son of the late Mahatma Ghandi, died at his home in Johannesburg yesterday, aged 51.

It Happened In November...
After the long and exhausting summer, November has at last arrived—the beautiful autumn month. The ideal resort for rest cures and recreation at this time of the year is Tiberias, the city on Lake Kinneret. In November you may benefit from a special 25% reduction in all guest houses and at the Baths. There are reduced prices, including full board and five meals a day: Grade 2 — IL.4.450; Grade 3 — IL.5.400; Grade 4 — IL.6.550 and Grade 5 — IL.7.500.

GUIDED MISSILE MAY BEAT TORNADOES

AUSTIN, TEXAS, Sunday (Reuter).—Two scientists here claim that a guided missile some day may be fired into the roaring heart of a tornado and save a city like Waco, Texas, from such damage as was left there last Spring.

They say that they believe it completely practical and possible of achievement in the near future.

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Shooting Boots On In Britain Soccer; Glasgow Top Scorers

By AKIVA KALMAN

The shooting boots were well on among the home and away sides in Saturday's British soccer programme, with sixes, fives and fours very prominent. Honours for top score went "north of the border" with Glasgow Rangers swamping Hamilton Academicals 8-1 in a Scottish League Division A game.

In the English League top Division, eight goals were netted at Birmingham with Aston Villa beating Middlesbrough, 5-3. At Cardiff, Manchester United pushed six past the City, for a 6-1 away win. At Highbury, Arsenal overcame a tough obstacle in Bolton Wanderers, winning by 4-3. Sunderland saw five goals divided among the contesting teams with the home team a 3-2 winner over Liverpool, while Preston North End travelled south to face Portsmouth and win 3-1.

Eight Goals Shared

In the Second Division, Bury entertained Leeds and eight goals were netted, four by each side, while at Lincoln the City edged visiting Rotherham United, 4-3. In the Third Division (South), Northampton Town were top scorers, beating Aldershot, 6-2. Torquay won over Bristol City, 4-1, and Watford defeated Crystal Palace, 4-1. Leyton Orient pulled off a good home win over Norwich City, while Millwall downed Newport in another London game. Both sides won 3-1.

Threes were prominent in a more subdued shooting show in the Third Division (North), although Accrington Stanley's 3-0 away win over Crewe Alexandra was most meritorious. Top shooting here came in the game at Bradford, where the home side edged Stockport County, 3-2. After the Rangers, in the Scottish A Division, came Hearts of Midlothian with a 5-1 victory over Raith Rovers; East Fife and Clyde, both with 4-1 home wins, over Celtic and Falkirk respectively; while St. Mirren and Hibernian fought out a three-all draw on the former's ground.

The fives were prominent in the B Division among the Scots, with two figuring in smashing away victories. Morton downed the United at Dundee by 5-1, and Kilmarnock went to Dumbarton to win 5-2. Stenhousemuir stayed at home and won 5-1 over Arbroath, while leaders Motherwell beat St Johnstone, 3-1.

Wolves' Grand Win

Wolverhampton Wanderers won a crucial game at Molyneux Park over leaders West Bromwich Albion, by 1-0, and moved up to one point within the Albion, who have 28. Huddersfield Town made their tally 25 by beating Sheffield Wednesday, 2-0 at home. Unpredictable Chelsea downed honours rivals Burnley (23 pts) by the odd goal in three, 2-1, at Stamford Bridge, while Arsenal's win over Bolton kept the Wanderers at 22 points.

Leicester City drew 1-1 away with Notts. County and share the top place with Doncaster Rovers, who beat Birmingham 3-1, in the Secound Division, both with 25 points. Everton moved up into third position (24 points) following a 2-2 home draw with Fulham, as Nottingham Forest lost 2-0 at Blackburn.

Ipswich Town drew 1-1 at home with Exeter and lead Division III (South) with 33 points. Three teams are next, all with 26 points. Southampton, who lost 2-1 at Southend; Brighton and Hove Albion, who beat Colchester United, 1-0 at home; and Reading, who downed Queens Park Rangers 3-1 at home. Leyton Orient staked a good win in defeating Norwich City, 3-1. In the Northern section of the Division, Port Vale registered their 16th undefeated game with a 2-0 win over Grimsby Town and have 34 points. Gateshead stayed second (26 pts.) with a 1-0 victory over Barrow.

RESULTS: ENGLISH LEAGUE: Div. I: Arsenal 4, Bolton W. 3; Aston V. 5, Middlesbro' 3; Blackp'l 1, Tottenham 0; Cardiff 1, Man. U. 6; Chelsea 2, Burnley 1; Huddersf'ld 2, Sheff. W. 0; Man. C. 0, Newcastle 0; Portsm'th 1, Preston N.E. 3; Sheff. U. 1, Charlton 1; Sunderland 3, Liverp'l 2; Wolves 1, West Brom 0. **Div. II:** Blackburn 2, Notts. F. 0; Bradford 1, Plymouth 0; Bris. R. 0, Swansea 1; Bury 4, Leeds 4; Derby 1, Luton 2; Doncaster 3, Birm'gham 1; Everton 2, Fulham 2; Hull 1, Stoke 2; Lincoln 4, Rotherham 3; Notts. C. 1, Leicester 1; Oldham 3, West Ham 1. **Div. III(S):** B'mouth 2, Shrewsb'y 1; Brighton 1, Colch'ter 0; Cov C. 2, Wals'll 0; Gill'ham 1, Swindon 0; Ipswich 1, Exeter 1; Leyton 3, Norwich 1; Millwall 3, Newp't 1; N'hampton 6, Ald'shot 2; Read'g 3, Q.P.R. 1; S'thend 2, S'hampton 1; Torqay 4, Bris C 0; Watf'd 4, Cry. P 1. **Div. III(N):** Barnsl'y 2, Roth'ham 1; Bradf'd 3, St'ckp't 2; Chester 0, Carl'le 1; Crewe A. 0, Acc. S. 3; Darl'gton 0, Wrexh'm 2; Gatesh'd 1, Barrow 0; Hartlep'ls 3, Mansf'ld 1; Port V. 2, Grmsby 0; Scunth'pe 2, Chesterf'ld 1; S'thp't 1, Halifax 0; Work'gton 2, Brad. C. 2; York 0, Tranmere 0. **Scottish League: Div. A:** Aberd'n 2, Qun o Sth 0; Airdrie 2, Dundee 2; Clyde 4, Falkirk 1; E. Fife 4, Celtic 1; Hearts 5, Raith 1; Rangers 8, Ham. Ac. 1; St. Mirren 3, Hibs. 3; Stirl'g 1, Partick 2. **Div. B:** Ayr 1, Dunf'mline 2; Cowd'b'th 1, Th Lanark 3; Dumb'rton 2, Kilmarnock 5; Dundee U 1, Morton 5; Forfar 2, Alloa 2; Motherwell 3, St. Johnstone 1; Quns Pk 2, Albion 2; Stenh'semuir 5, Arbr'th 1. **Amateur International:** England 4, France 2 (at Luton). **Rugby Union: New Zealand Tour:** Western Counties 0 pts, All Blacks 11 (at Bristol).

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News: Hebrew: 7. a.m., 1.30, 6.15 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 6 a.m., 2.15 & 6.15 p.m. Turkish: 11.30 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Music (R). 9.00 Services. 10.30 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Concert Hall: "Basel" (Stravinsky); Piano Concerto No. 3 (Rachmaninoff); Overture on Greek Themes (Glazounov). 1.45 "The Voice of the Violin" (R). 2.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Siesta (R). 4.30 Musical Miniatures (R). 5.00 Piano Recital: Jan Pomerans. 5.50 Child's Corner. 5.65 Children's Hour. 7.00 At the Opera (R). 7.45 Talk. 8.00 The Heroes' Memorial at Negba. 8.34 Bible Reading. 8.45 "Curtain Up." 9.30 Light Music (R). 10.00 "Contemporary Music for Viola" presented by Gideon Roehr with Michal Roehr. 10.30 Songs from the play "Nasr-a-Din." 10.45 "Notturno" (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

469, 229, 216, 48.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m. 10.15 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Music (R). 4.30 Messages to Immigrants 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Literature Corner. 5.30 Ballet Music (R). 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (32.3, 34.9 & 469 (M.): French; 6.30 p.m. Ladino; 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): 11.15 News and Newsreel. 11.45 Concert.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening 6.35 Recital. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 "Among the Flags." 8.00 News. 8.45 Concert. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.91 & 19.91 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News: News Talk; Musical Interlude: Press Review.

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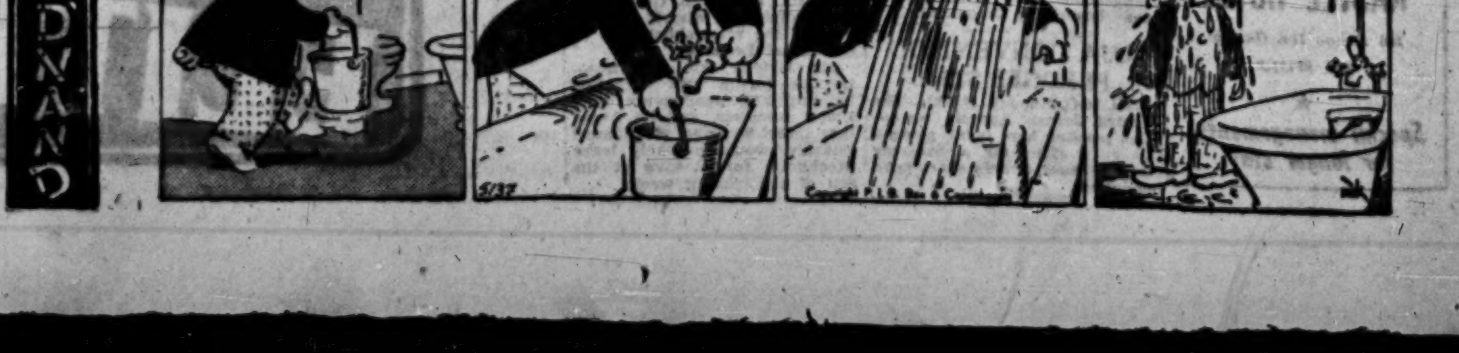

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

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Tiberias	42	14	—	—
Haifa Port	59	12	23	23
Natanya	46	13	24	24
Hakirya	50	11	24	24
Tel Aviv Port	57	12	27	23
Lydda Airport	48	8	21	25
Jerusalem	30	11	20	20
Beersheba	44	9	26	26
Eilat	39	16	26	27

FORECAST: Cloudy in the morning, isolated showers, especially in central districts.

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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A 13-YEAR-OLD Arab boy, who was caught with IL.15-worth of cloth in Baka'a el Garbiya yesterday, told the police that he had crossed the border in order to bring a birthday present to his sister.

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ABOUT FIFTY unemployed carrying signs reading "Bread and Work" paraded in Ramle streets yesterday. They dispersed quietly after a five-man delegation was promised work by the local Labour Exchange.

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A LARGE and well-appointed Shekem store for the families of soldiers and policemen was opened in the Acre police building yesterday.

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THE S.S. MAAS is due to arrive in Haifa from Amsterdam tomorrow with fallow deer, bisons and a panther for the Tel Aviv Zoo.

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THE WORLD YOUTH organisation, sponsored by the General Zionists, will be called "Young Israel", according to a decision taken by the National Council of the movement in Tel Aviv last week.

Beavers Bred For Fur

By The Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Latest newcomers to local animal life are beavers which are being reared in a number of rural settlements. The first beaver farms have been established at Kfar Masaryk and at Nordia, the latter in partnership with a private furrier.

Beaver breeding for furs is widespread among peasants in many countries in Europe, and it is hoped that it will provide a valuable supplementary income for some farmers here, though beaver furs produced in southern countries are generally somewhat inferior to those produced in cold regions.

Strike Closes Gov't Office for a Day

The Tel Aviv office of the Immigration Department of the Ministry of the Interior was closed to the public yesterday when the officials went on strike to protest against a Ministry decision to transfer four Department employees from the Capital to Tel Aviv.

The Workers' Council claimed that the Ministry should hire local civil servants who were dismissed a half year ago.

The strike was settled yesterday afternoon, a Ministry spokesman stated, when the Tel Aviv committee, which he said had called the strike without warning, agreed to the transfer of two and proposed negotiations on the fate of the other two.

National Committee To Discuss Hotel Problems

Grading of hotels and other problems of the industry are to be settled by a national committee to consist of two representatives of the hoteliers appointed by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, with the Director of the Government Tourist Centre and the Controller of Hotels, a Commerce Ministry spokesman announced in Jerusalem yesterday. Regional committees are also to be established, he said.

These moves follow the lifting of price controls for hotels a week ago.

Another regulation has fixed prices for standard meals in grade I to V restaurants, the spokesman added. It was forbidden to increase prices, except in cases where the cost of basic commodities, such as meat and fish, had risen.

According to this regulation, menus have to specify the type of meat being served, he concluded.

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Malben to Open 12th Old Age Home

Plans have now been finalized for the construction of Malben's 12th old age home. It will be located on a 50-dunam site at Rishon le Zion.

In order to avoid an institutional character, the residents will be housed in small, bungalow-type buildings, each for 16 inhabitants (either eight rooms for married couples or four rooms for four single persons). Each of the 13 bungalows planned will have its own conveniences, its recreation room and a small kitchen.

The bungalows will be grouped around the central buildings, such as the synagogue, cultural centre, dining room, clinic, and administrative office.

Municipal Worker Charged with Theft

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — Mr. Moshe Wizmann, a Municipal official, was charged by the District Attorney in the Magistrate's Court here today with stealing office equipment from a store under his supervision, accepting a bribe and falsifying accounts. The date of the preliminary investigation has not yet been fixed.

Fine for Delaying Army Registration

An IL.80 fine was imposed on Miriam Azulai, 18, of the Talpiot ma'bara, for delaying for ten months in reporting for registration and medical examination for national service.

The girl pleaded before the Jerusalem Magistrate that she had failed to report on time as she had married and believed that she was thus exempt from service. (Itim)

Levanon Snubs Herut for Orthodox To Pass Budget; Asks Dearer Water

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — "In a surprise move, Mayor Haim Levanon tonight had his budget for the current fiscal year passed with the 16 votes of his Party (General Zionist), those of the religious parties and the single vote of the Progressive Party representative. A coalition agreement with the three religious parties was signed an hour before the Council meeting, it was reliably learned. It was also agreed with Mr. M. Goldstein, (Progressive) that he would be included in the Municipality's Executive which has yet to be set up.

Mayor Levanon

The agreement left the Herut Party resentful and bitter, as a tentative agreement with them had been signed last Thursday, but had been left open for the approval of Party executives. Herut therefore asked for the Council meeting to be postponed tonight, but the Mayor refused, being determined to pass the budget tonight. The four Herut councillors voted against the budget.

The agreement with the religious parties provides for a Deputy Mayor belonging to one of those parties and contains promises by the Mayor to improve religious observance in the city, fight the sale of pork, allot plots for the construction of synagogues and greater help to the Religious Council.

Peri Must Quit First

A religious party Deputy Mayor can only be elected after the dismissal by the Council of Deputy Mayor Eliezer Peri (Mapai). If this is done, it excludes the possibility of an agreement with Mapai or any other Party, as the law provides for only two Deputy Mayors.

Mr. S. Shoshani, who votes with the General Zionists and represents the landlords on the Council, has already been elected Deputy Mayor.

Nevertheless, Mapai members of the Council indicated that they did not consider the agreement as final, as their coalition in the city would be discussed this week in the general talks with the General Zionists on the changes in the Government attendant upon Mr. Ben Gurion's resignation.

The atmosphere in the Council was tense when the Mayor briefly summed up the extended debate on the Municipal budget before the vote was taken.

He said that what the Municipality had done for the care of homeless children could not be surpassed. He admitted that some municipal officials were inefficient as had been alleged, and suggested their dismissal, provided that they be given other jobs.

Increases in Estimates

Just before the vote was taken, the Mayor suggested the increase of his IL.19.5m. budget by IL.200,000 for the payment of higher salaries to workers, by IL.250,000 to cover recent C.o.L. increases, and by IL.50,000 for the Municipality's Welfare Department.

To cover the expenses he suggested higher water rates to provide IL.400,000, an increase in welfare services, charges of IL.50,000 and an increase in the payments for health services by the same amount.

Deputy Mayor Peri, in a statement after the vote, disclosed that his Party voted against the budget, as the Municipality's administration is faulty, services are insufficient and the aid to slum areas was always promised, but had never been fulfilled. He said that the City is unclean, and that the rates are paid by the masses and not by the rich.

The Municipality, he added, is running a heavy deficit, which he estimated would reach IL.3m. this year in addition to IL.2.5m. from the previous year.

First Volume Of Codified Laws Out

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — All Israel laws will be included in the four-volume work edited by Dr. Yosef Rabiner, the Press was informed here today. The first volume, containing Israel's basic laws and the Ottoman commercial law, is just out, and the remaining volumes are expected to appear within the next year, the publisher, Mr. M. Newman, said.

Dr. Rabiner, the editor, has been busy with the codification of the laws since he came to this country four years ago, and has been assisted by a panel of lawyers and judges headed by Prof. S. Ginossar, of the Hebrew University. The work is prefaced by Mr. Haim Cohen, the Attorney-General.

US Jewish Workers Ask New Immigration Law

ATLANTIC CITY, Sunday (UP). — Some 250 delegates to the United Hebrew Trades Convention yesterday adopted resolutions calling for a new immigration law, elimination of the U.S. Senate fillibuster and enactment of Fair Employment Practices Laws on local and state levels.

Representing about 500,000 Jewish workers, the delegates demanded adoption of an immigration bill which would not be based on national or racial origins.

The resolution declared that the "omnibus" Immigration Law passed by Congress in 1952 "has failed to distinguish between present adherents of the Communist movement and active anti-Communists who have escaped from behind the 'Iron Curtain'".

RATION NEWS

TEL AVIV: Butter for invalids: 100 gr. Het Aleph 1, Het Bet 7, Het Gimel 19. Chocolate for diabetics: 2 bars. Het Gimel 12, 13. Coffee or tea: 100 gr. Bet 4, 5. Gimel cards, 100 gr. tea.

Kariv Asks Army To Protect Lives

Jerusalem Post Reporter

At last night's session of the Jerusalem Municipal Council, Mayor Kariv described last Thursday's murder of the watchman at Beit Safafa as one of a series committed within Jerusalem's borders. While the Municipal Councillors stood to honour the guard's memory, Mr. Kariv called upon the Defence Forces to protect the lives of the Capital's citizenry.

(The funeral of Zion Manton, the guard murdered by the Arab Legion at Beit Safafa last Thursday, took place yesterday afternoon leaving the courtyard of the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem in the presence of a large group of mourners.)

The Mayor told Mr. M. Friedman (Histadrut), that the blame for the poor sanitary situation in several local schools lay at "other doorsteps." Mr. Friedman, who had called for an emergency debate on the situation, was told that old buildings in the City had been converted into schools, while other municipalities had been able to build new ones.

The Mayor claimed that last March the Cheshin Committee had recommended that the Ministry of Interior make an immediate grant of IL.30,000 for sanitary improvements.

Money Not Used

The work was to have been carried out during the summer vacation by the Ministry of Labour's District Sanitary Engineer, the Mayor stated. The improvements were not made and the money was not utilized, he added.

Mr. Kariv continued that in view of a promised allocation of IL.70,000 from the Ministry of Education, never received by Municipal authorities, the Municipality had spent IL.40,000 on making other improvements in the schools. The Mayor wished to use the remaining IL.30,000 for sanitary repairs, but has still received no authorization for this plan.

He added that he would reveal the "whole story" soon, "if we are blessed with elections." This was met with Opposition remarks noting the Mayor's change of stand. Mr. Kariv had previously not been in favour of new Municipal elections.

Earlier, Mr. Reuven Shari, M.K., (Histadrut) condemned the administration for "wasting money" on pensions for dismissed Municipal employees. He said that the money could have been better used in constructing a municipal mortuary.

Wants Mandate Funds

The Mayor retorted that more employees would have to be dismissed before Municipal affairs are conducted on a proper basis. He emphasized that salaries take up too great a part of the Municipal budget.

The Council decided to empower the Foreign Ministry to negotiate and contract on its behalf with the British Government regarding a sum of £24,000 held from Mandatory days in a Maintenance Fund of the Water Department. The Municipality has been claiming this sum for some time, but has been unable to reach an agreement with the British.

The Council was informed that the Municipality is pressing charges against Mif'al Hapayis for establishing kiosks in the streets without Municipal licences.

EMERGENCY AID FOR J'LEM SCHOOLS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministry of Education is to divert part of its development budget to help the Jerusalem Municipality repair school buildings, *The Jerusalem Post* learned yesterday. Last week, Mayor Kariv told this reporter that the Municipality did not have the IL.30,000 necessary to make repairs. He claimed that the Government had gone back on a promise to supply this sum of money. The Ministry of Health has said that sanitary conditions in certain cases were such that, unless repairs were made, several school buildings would have to be closed.

Teaching Vacancies

There are still 70 to 80 teaching vacancies in Galilee and the Negev, the Ministry of Education told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. This was in reply, the Ministry said, to charges made by some teachers that the Ministry had given them transfer notices, although no positions were available, so that they could be dismissed. Any qualified teacher, the Ministry said, could receive an appointment by applying to the Jerusalem District Supervisor.

POLICE DON WINTER UNIFORMS DESPITE HEAT

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The rains haven't come, but winter has surely arrived: the police here have changed into their cold-weather uniforms today.

Except during the early hours of the morning, they appeared to be uncomfortable. It was a warm day again today.

CREW ABANDONS BLAZING TANKER

BORDEAUX, Sunday (Reuter). — The crew of the 15,000-ton French tanker Caltex-Bordeaux were today ordered to abandon ship as she lay blazing in thick fog off Bordeaux harbour.

The captain ordered the evacuation as the vessel was in danger of exploding.

Fire broke out last night after the tanker was in collision with a cargo boat in the mouth of the Gironde River.

Couple Found Slain In Acre Home

NAHARIYA, Sunday. — An Arab couple, Jamil Kahalil Susann, 60, and his wife, Bahia Michal, 45, were found murdered in their home in the Old City of Acre yesterday evening.

One of their sons who lived with his parents, came at 8:15 p.m., found the door locked, broke it open and discovered them lying dead.

Their small flat was in order and the furniture was undisturbed. On the floor, he found several bullets of 9 mm. calibre and a few spent bullet cases.

He notified the police, who immediately cordoned off the town. Police investigators found that the couple had been stabbed and their skulls beaten with a blunt instrument. It was reported that they had lived in peace with their Arab and Jewish neighbours. They were supported by their six sons and a daughter, and occasionally received gifts from local Jewish friends.

Police are energetically pursuing the investigation.

In addition to the double murder, seven cases of assault and one of attempted murder were reported from the Acre area yesterday. These occurred on a background of love, family and monetary disputes. Both Jews and Arabs were involved. None is believed connected with the murder.

Baruch Segal Pleads Not Guilty to Murder

The trial of Baruch Segal, 21, for the premeditated murder of his fiancee, Mazal Levy, 18, in his home in Mekor Haim, Jerusalem last February 26, opened yesterday morning in the District Court. Segal pleaded not guilty.

According to a statement alleged to have been made by Segal when he surrendered himself to the police in Beersheba, a day after Mazal's death, he killed her because he believed she had become attached to another man.

On the day of her death, the alleged statement continued, Segal asked Mazal to come to his house for a reconciliation. Mazal told him: "Things are off between us; don't you understand? It happens in the best of families." Segal is then said to have strangled her, and when she still showed signs of life, to have stabbed her three times. (Itim)

Held on Charge Of Attacking Wife

HAIFA, Sunday. — Charged with the attempted murder, last Monday, of his wife, Salima, Eliyahu Zvi, of Rehov Shemen, was remanded for 15 days by the Magistrate here today.

Zvi allegedly stabbed his wife with a pair of scissors, wounding her seriously.

Jaffa Brawl Murder Trial Opens

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — Two men charged with the murder of Levi Moyal last November pleaded not guilty when their trial opened in the District Court here today.

Motel Berger, 42, of Jaffa, and Mordecai Shulman, 29, are charged with having murdered Moyal outside Jaffa's Cafe Benny, following a drunken brawl in the cafe.

The Court is to go to the scene of the crime before reconvening tomorrow.

AN 18-YEAR-OLD soldier was seriously hurt when two Army vehicles collided near Ramle yesterday. A 10-year-old boy was run over by an Army vehicle in Beersheba yesterday. He was taken to the local Hadassah Hospital in a serious condition.

Claim Israel Pilot Held in Damascus

An Israel pilot has been apprehended in Syria after baling out of his burning plane, "A-Diffa" claims in a report from Damascus. The pilot is said to have been taken to the Syrian capital for interrogation.

According to the Jordan paper, an Israel plane flew over Syrian positions from the direction of Tiberias on Saturday. It was hit by Syrian anti-aircraft guns and fell burning over Israel territory.

In Jerusalem, last night, official sources stated that no Air Force plane was involved in any such incident. The authorities are investigating the possibility of a civilian plane having gone astray.

Jagan Not Sure Of What Is 'Communist'

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Dr. Cheddi Jagan, deposed Premier of British Guiana, was asked yesterday at a meeting of the leftwing National Council for Civil Liberties if he is a Communist.

He replied: "It is difficult to understand what a Communist is because there are so many different definitions. That is why I say I am a Marxist and a Socialist."

ASSASSIN MURDERS PRO-FRENCH MOROCCAN

CASABLANCA, Sunday (Reuter). — An unknown terrorist last night shot dead Mohammed Houmid, brother of a pro-French Moroccan leader in the native quarter of Casablanca.

The gunman escaped, police reported.

Arabs Say Israel Grows Dope To Hurt Morale; Gov't Denies It

An official of the Ministry of Agriculture last night branded as false a statement made by the director of the Arab League Anti-Narcotics Bureau that Israel is planting hemp and trading in *hashish* as part of a plan to destroy the morale of the Arab people in the neighbouring countries.

The director, Brigadier Abdul Aziz Safwat, yesterday charged that Israel had planted 2,500 dunams of hemp for *hashish* in the "Little Triangle" near the armistice lines with Jordan following an unsuccessful attempt to grow hemp in 1950.

The official denied the allegation and challenged that the exact location of the alleged hemp fields be revealed.

The Brigadier's report, quoted by ANA, also states that Turkey is the main centre of the secret narcotics industries and the chief source of smuggling to the Arab world.

Another centre is the Lebanon, where 32,500 dunams of hemp are cultivated in the remote parts of the country, despite efforts by the Lebanese Government to destroy the plantations, the Brigadier's report indicates.

Alliance Tire Plant Adopts A Village, Provides a Playground

HAIFA, Sunday. — The Alliance Tire Company, of Hadera, informed **The Jerusalem Post** this morning that they will adopt the children of a border village and provide them with a playground.

"We'll build it and we'll maintain it," said Mr. Dick Rosenberg of the firm's management, "and we hope others will follow suit."

Mr. Rosenberg, himself a father of four, wished the campaign and all the borderland children good luck.

The Alliance Company is the first industrial enterprise in the country which has made this substantial contribution to *The Jerusalem Post* — Sa'ad annual Hanukka Campaign, which this year is to help children growing up in isolated border villages.

Alliance is a familiar name to Haifa newsmen. On their beat in the Haifa Port they see the big, black, bulky truck tires arrive in growing quantities to be shipped overseas.

This is the second playground to be donated under the "Adopt a Border Settlement" appeal for this year's Hanukka Toy Fund. The first came from the Haifa Municipality.

Spinster Makes Good a Pledge

HAIFA, Sunday. — Miss S. Robb, the spinster who took up the bachelor donor's challenge last week, stating that "everything you can do, I can do better," is making good her promise.

Following her own IL.10 contribution last week, she brought in IL.20 today that she collected in Benyamina.

The contributions were also accompanied by a box full of bright and lovely toys.

Today's contributions bring the total to IL.1,170.900 and include: —

IL.200 Bank Leumi, Tel Aviv.
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IL. 1 R.A.M., Haifa; Ilan Nordheimer, Kfar Bialik; Rahel Lindner, Avram Hanson, Anonymous, Arye Garty (5 years old), Tel Aviv; Anonymous, Jerusalem.
IL. 0.500 Anonymous, Riya Elkan, Tel Aviv; Emilie Nathan, Rehovot.

Anti-Fascist Film Greeted By Tear Gas in Rome

ROME, Sunday (Reuter). — Tear-gas bombs last night were thrown into two cinemas while an Italian film satirizing post-war Italian Fascists was being shown.

With tears streaming down their faces, spectators who had come to see the *premiere* of the film, "Anni Facili" ("Easy Years"), rushed for the exits. Many were bruised in the struggle.

Police said that the explosions were almost simultaneous — pointing to a well-organized "protest" by unknown, but probably neo-Fascist elements.

They stated that they had detained several persons.

"Anni Facili" was heavily censored before being given a license.

A LARGE quantity of Arak, made in Bethlehem, and alcohol and cigarettes valued at IL.800 were left by a group of infiltrators who fled after a clash with border police in the Negev yesterday.

Admits Murdering Drummond Family

DIGNE, France, Sunday. — Gaston Dominici, 76, today broke down after two days of questioning and admitted killing the three Drummonds 15 months ago.

He confessed to shooting British food expert Sir Jack Drummond, 61, and his wife, 48, with an American army carbine, and to clubbing their ten-year-old daughter to death near his lonely farm in a valley in the French Alps on August 5, 1952.

He broke down after his two sons, Gustave and Clovis, accused him of the massacre earlier this week. They showed police the spot where they claimed the murder weapon was hidden. Police have identified the gun as that which killed the Drummonds.

Early today the father was taken to his farm and confronted with his sons. It was feared that, usually so completely influenced by their father that they remained silent at dinner at his command, they might go back on their accusation in his presence.

Gustave is alleged to have told the police that his father killed the three Drummonds single-handed because they had "annoyed" him.

He claimed that Dominici first shot Sir Jack and then killed Lady Anne, who was screaming. Elizabeth, who, in her pyjamas, fled down the banks of the nearby Durance River, was battered to death as she begged on her knees for her life. (Reuter, UP)

NEABS Asks Arabs To Accept Johnston Scheme

Apparently the Arab States did not flatly reject the proposal brought by Mr. Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy, as first reports seem to have indicated, the British-controlled Cyprus station NEABS said yesterday.

The commentator called upon the Arab States to revise their attitude to the scheme, especially Jordan, which "so desperately needs large-scale projects to solve its economic and unemployment problems."

The station reminded the Arab countries that the first stage of the scheme requires no cooperation with Israel and could be carried out independently in each country concerned.

Lebanon Not to Set Up National Guard

A Lebanese Defence Ministry spokesman yesterday denied reports which appeared last week in that country's press which stated that the Lebanon had decided to establish a special national guard to protect her frontier from Israel, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reports.

The spokesman pointed out that the Lebanese Army is the only force in the country which guards the frontier.

Hallinan Found Guilty Of Tax Evasion

SAN FRANCISCO, Sunday (UP). — A Federal Jury last night convicted attorney Vincent Hallinan, 1952 Presidential candidate of the Independent Progressive Party, on five counts of income tax evasion.

His wife, Vivian was aquitted.

The couple were charged with evading tax payments amounting to $65,221 between 1946 and 1950. Hallinan faces a maximum of 25 years in prison and a $50,000 fine.

Cables in Brief

IVES. — Dr. Herbert Eugene Ives, a scientist known as "the father of American television", died yesterday at his home in Montclair, New Jersey. He was 71.

TREATY. — A cultural treaty between Egypt and Pakistan was signed in Karachi on Saturday, Radio Pakistan reported.

CHEESE. — British Food Minister Major Gwilym Lloyd George announced in London yesterday that the cheese ration would be increased on November 29 from two to three ounces a week.

ANNIVERSARY. — Archduke Josef of Austria, 81, and his wife Princess Auguste, 78, celebrated their Diamond Wedding in Regensburg, Bavaria, yesterday.

AIRPORT. — An association representing local government, financial and commercial interests was formed on Saturday to study the possibility of building a big international airport in Sicily, preferably near Palermo, the regional capital.

VISITS. — King Idris of Libya yesterday visited the Noulay Idris Sanctuary [illegible] the Karaouyine and Sidi Abdelkader mosques.

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Advance on Income Tax

destined for the creation of work schemes for the unemployed. Rates of payment are low — suited to every breadwinner. The said payments will be refunded by the Government out of income tax deductions during the next three years. In spite of all these facilities not many have responded to the Knesset Order and have not paid their taxes; several have not even submitted their declarations, as requested.

Fines have been imposed on persons who have neglected submitting declarations. Legal steps will be taken against those who have submitted incorrect statements regardless of their incomes, and they will also be liable to pay the proper amount.

All those complying with their obligations, will avoid fines, and prevent the Income Tax Department from undertaking unpleasant measures.

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HOTELS AND TOURISM

THE delegation of American and Swiss tourist agents which recently visited Israel as guests of the Government has now left. According to all reports it was favourably impressed with Israel's potential as an expanding centre of the tourist industry. Not a little credit for the impression gained must be accorded to the Government Tourist Centre which, in the words of the leader of the delegation, has shown a true understanding of the American mind in this matter.

The figures for the first ten months of this year indicate that there is a 5% increase in the overall volume of tourist traffic and what is more important, a 50% increase in the amount of hard currency directly earned by the tourist trade. This jump is due to the announcement in April this year of the new rate of exchange of IL.1.80—$1 for visitors. This concession immediately made Israel one of the most attractive tourist countries in the world from the point of view of price. The better rate of exchange, operating only since April, came too late to enable the Tourist Centre fully to propagandize the new conditions abroad in time for this year's main tourist season.

In the past two years, the scope and nature of facilities available to tourists have increased steadily. Thus, while in 1951 first class hotel accommodation of good European standard to cope with the volume of tourist traffic was insufficient, it is estimated that today over 6,000 hotel bedrooms conform to the requirements of the most fastidious tourists. Special transport facilities also have been improved considerably, as have the arrangements of pre-planned tours within the country itself.

It is, therefore, rather discouraging to read that, with the official abolition of control over the price of hotel accommodation, Israel's hoteliers now contemplate an all round increase of prices which might average about 12%. This tendency to allow prices to overtake concessions granted by the Treasury to tourists is one of the inclinations which seems to be endemic in Israel's hotel industry. This branch of the economy seems to ignore the law of supply and demand, apparently not realizing that a large overall turnover will very quickly absorb any loss, while a rise in prices is likely to aggravate the problem. Moreover, the point seems to be lost sight of that nowhere in the world can hotels live on foreign traffic alone, but must make the bulk of their expenses on local custom. The best hotels in Switzerland budget for about 40% foreign trade and 60% local trade in order to keep going and clear a profit. In Israel, the use made by residents of hotels is very restricted as prices are far beyond the reach of the average person.

Another point seemingly overlooked or ignored by the Israel hotel proprietor is the share he should but does not play in helping to organize and attract tourist traffic. In every country where tourism is an important industry, one of the most prominent agencies in promoting the trade are the hotels themselves. In France, no less than 120 local syndicates of hotel proprietors maintain a high pressure publicity campaign abroad to boost the country's tourist attractions. While the Tourist Centre continues to develop its services it will be hard put to attain maximum effectiveness until the hotel industry realizes that it must not expect only to be on the receiving end. It also has clear duties to the Government and the country in building up a strong "Come to Israel" campaign.

The announcement yesterday that a national committee has been formed to discuss problems of the trade, will, it is hoped, be the harbinger of an attempt to evolve a new and more constructive outlook on what can well become one of Israel's most important sources of dollars.

'Chronicles' Prizes For Historical Reportage

Amnon Linder, of Jerusalem, and Sasona Sonenshein, of Haifa, won first prize in a history contest sponsored by "Chronicles, News of the Past" for reporting an historical event in newspaper form and composing an epic poem of the Abrahamic period respectively. Second prize in these fields went to Ya'akov Turkel and Naomi Zelinger of Jerusalem. A special award was given to Batya Ophir, of Tel Aviv, for fine poetic talent.

The meeting took place in the paper's editorial offices.

Against a backdrop of past issues of "Chronicles" featuring such headlines as "Abram Saved from the Fiery Furnace," and "Haman Sentenced to Hang," Dr. I. Eldad, editor of the paper's Hebrew edition, and Professor Joseph Klausner stressed the importance of the connection between the Jewish past and present.

Professor Klausner said that the true historian must actually be able to feel the past as if he were a part of it. A newspaper such as "Chronicles," presenting history in the form of current events, helps us to identify ourselves with our past.

PROFILE— GUISEPPE PELLA

THE flare-up of the Trieste crisis has brought into the public eye a man who was almost unknown outside Italy until three months ago. Guiseppe Pella is Prime Minister of Italy at this critical moment almost by chance. He was chosen to lead a temporary Government because the Budget estimates had to be approved quickly, and the major figures of the Democratic Christian Party had proved unacceptable to the tiny Monarchist Party which, as the result of the June elections, held the balance of power in the Roman Parliament.

At first sight, Signor Pella just looks the part of leader of a caretaker Government of officials. His appearance, with reddish hair brushed straight back, a dumpy figure, and a nervous, rather ingratiating smile, is far from distinguished. Yet in response his face has some of that quality of strength and determination which is found in the portraits of Renaissance prelates.

When he came to power last August, after seven weeks of Governmental crisis, there was little reason to suppose he would be more than a transient and embarrassed phantom, performing certain necessary constitutional functions. Though he had been Minister of Finance for five years, it had all been under the overwhelming shadow of the quiet but statesmanlike de Gasperi, and Pella's name was little known, even in Italy. He had performed his duties admirably, but there was nothing to suggest leadership in his political or personal past.

Peasant Parents

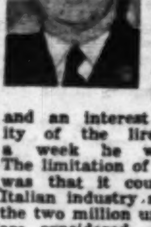
He had been born in 1901 into a very poor peasant family in the northern province of Piedmont. Because their son showed unusual ability at school, his parents foresook the land and took work in a textile mill in nearby Biella, so that he would continue his studies. He managed to qualify as an accountant, worked as such in the local textile business, and so was able to pay for courses at Turin University. By this means he took a degree in economics and social science, and gradually made himself a moderately prosperous business consultant in the textile industry. His middle class status was confirmed when he married the daughter of a dentist, but even today his mother lives alone in the peasant cottage where Pella was born, having refused all offers of domestic help. The cottage is, however, distinguished by the possession of a television set given so that Signora Pella could see her son represent his country at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth.

To make progress, Pella found it expedient in the 1930s to join the Fascist Party, and for one year he served as vice-prefect of Biella. His activities remained primarily in the field of economics and Roman Catholicism, rather than politics in those dubious years. He is considered by most of his countrymen to have purged himself of his connection with Fascism by taking action in 1944 with the Piedmontese partisans — typically, he was their treasurer.

It was easy for Pella after the war to get elected as a Christian Democrat to Parliament, and his sound business notions won him the affectionate regard of the Finance Minister, Sgr. Luigi Einaudi. When in 1948 Einaudi became the first President of the Republic, he insisted on being succeeded at the Finance Ministry by Pella, who himself continued without change the conservative "sound money" policy of his master.

Attacked by Industrialists

In the Cabinet, Pella was a staunch and consistent exponent of this doctrine, and undoubtedly he played a considerable part in saving Italy from inflation. "The thing about inflation," he used to say, "is that wages go up the stairs, but prices take the lift."



His deflationary programme was unpopular with the industrialists, who attacked him bitterly. In July, 1951, he resigned as the result of these attacks, but so great was the outcry from those with fixed incomes and an interest in the security of the lire, that within a week he was reinstated. The limitation of his programme was that it could not expand Italian industry so as to absorb the two million unemployed, who are considered, by Pella and others, to be employable only if Italians are allowed to emigrate. It was primarily for this reason that Pella was an advocate of a more United Europe in which economic barriers to trade and the movement of labour would be removed.

The failure to solve Italy's basic economic problem has left democratic government in postwar Italy in a shaky state. The June elections showed that the parties of the centre coalition (which are the only genuinely parliamentary parties) were evenly balanced with the extremists, who on one hand wanted a return to Fascism, or on the other a move towards Communism. To hold its majority in parliament, the centre had to be tolerated either by the Nenni socialists, who are virtually Communist fellow-travellers, or by the Monarchists, who fellow-travel with the neo-Fascists. The Monarchists rejected de Gasperi, but temporarily accepted Pella.

The new Prime Minister was faced with a situation that could degenerate into civil strife between the extremists. Parliament had ceased to be the centre of political life, and became a rough house where insults and blows were exchanged when controversial legislation was introduced.

Signor Pella managed to create a new atmosphere. Unlike de Gasperi, who had always met insult with irony, Pella returned soft answers, and by means of great courtesy to his non-democratic opponents, he restored parliamentary procedure to some kind of dignity and effectiveness. Against the expectation of many the Budget estimates passed smoothly through every stage.

Few peoples, least of all the Italians, are truly grateful to someone who substitutes a lull for excitement. Successful as he has been, Pella would almost certainly be disappearing from the public scene by now — but for the Trieste problem, which was unexpectedly raised in August, when Marshal Tito's Press hinted that he might wish formally to annex Zone B. This led to Pella taking up the whole Trieste problem with the Ambassadors of the Western Powers. Going even further afield he is now visiting Turkey on a "goodwill mission."

Prime Issue

This is perhaps the one issue capable of rousing nationalist sentiment in all Italians, of the Left, Right and Centre. Their claim to Trieste was the cry with which the Italians entered the First World War on the Allied side, and it was the pledge given by the Western Powers to back their claim which ensured that the Italians joined the Atlantic Pact. The 1948 tripartite declaration, which offered to support the Italian claim to the whole Trieste territory, appeared to many people in and out of Italy as a rather cynical election dodge. Whatever it may have been, it certainly helped de Gasperi trounce the Communists in the election, and carry out an "Atlantic" policy. In Italian minds, the declaration about Trieste became a symbol. The Italian "Atlanticists" regarded it as a proof that Italy was accepted as a full equal by the West; the Communists (particularly after Tito's defection) and the neo-Fascists always taunted them that its nonfulfilment would be proof of their mistake.

By associating himself wholeheartedly with the Trieste issue and demanding that the West fulfil its pledges, Pella lifted himself out of the role of a caretaker Prime Minister and became an important national figure; when, by the sudden Anglo-American announcement of October 8, he got part of what he asked for, he became something of a national hero.

By demanding full payment from the West, he can certainly unite Italy behind him as it has not been united since the war. But it is a dangerous course. If he fails to get his demands, Pella will fall, and with him will no doubt fall the Atlantic policy of alliance with the West. This would be a cruel blow to the West — but for Italy it would, in the long run, be a mortal blow. If Pella is indeed a caretaker of his nation's interest, he now has his chance to prove it, not by threatening national suicide, but by cautious bargaining within the limits of the real interests involved.

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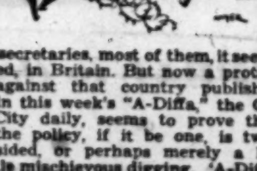
KEEPING POSTED

FOR a good many years a certain amount of our incoming mail has been going astray, or arriving at our office after several months delay. Not even the Post Office was to blame, for all these letters had been addressed "Jerusalem, Palestine" or "Jerusalem, Jordan" or even just "Jerusalem" and had been received across the border. We had always presumed that these letters, along with a few others addressed "Jerusalem, Jewish Zone," had been addressed by mildly ignorant or mildly antagonistic secretaries, most of them, it seemed, in Britain. But now a protest against that country published in this week's "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, seems to prove that the policy, if it be one, is two-sided, or perhaps merely a little mischievous digging. 'A-Diffa' wants the following insult taken up through diplomatic channels: the Jordan Government received a letter from the British Ministry of Food last week addressed to the "Jordan Ministry of Economy, Amman, Israel."



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AND by the way, while browsing through the library at the United States Information Centre in Tel Aviv recently, we came across an item in the Political Handbook of the World (1953) published by the U.S. Council on Foreign Relations, which describes Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel.

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A recently arrived American Bible-reading oil expert has stated that he believes that the water poured by the prophet Elijah over his sacrifice on Mount Carmel and which was "consumed by the fire of the Lord" was in fact oil and suggests that the Carmel region be therefore explored. Scoffing at this theory, a bright tourist guide delivered himself of his own theory before a group of visitors on the peak believed to be the site of the biblical miracle that led to the death of the false prophets of Baal. Quoting from Kings 1.18 he claimed that Elijah used water knowing that it would cause tremendous heat when brought into contact with the burnt-out limestone found on the Carmel and for this reason he had used a limestone altar burnt by previous sacrifices. Several tourists in the party were outraged and claimed that the fire was indeed a miracle. Anyone in this country who does not believe in miracles is not a realist, said one of them, quoting another recent visitor to Israel. The obviously experienced guide retorted that a scientific explanation only enhanced the miraculous quality of the event.

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THE urge of the tourist to leave his mark upon the world has moved many to tears, among them a Professor of the Hebrew University who came across an inscription in Greek over a tomb in the Beit Shearim catacombs, which had been quite defaced with the names and addresses of visitors before the archaeologists had even had a chance to photograph it. Israelis returning from abroad have also reported being a little perturbed at having found traces of Shomer Hatzair and "Betar B-Uruguay" in the Uffici and on the colonnades of Capri. Tourists have a better way of recording their names here, as did the rabbis and merchants of old who ordered themselves tombs in the tastefully decorated catacombs of Beit Shearim. A new catacomb would certainly provide some foreign currency.

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IT seems to be the urge of every Israeli to be a tourist abroad, reports a recently travelled friend, but it is not until they are abroad that they get to appreciate their own country. Even the *valse* of Vienna, the art of Italy and the lure of London may pall when one is faced with a fog-bound aircraft landing or a rough sea. But more disturbing are the social cracks in the veneer of culture: one still sees black shirts and long boots, hunger and drabness. Haifa port may have been open sesame to a magic world on leaving, but Lydda airport is home sweet home... until one is left waiting for hours while priority travellers, diplomats, servicemen and tourists are passed through the customs, with the returning resident bringing up the rear an object (evidently) of suspicion, malice and envy. It's nice to be back, says our friend, but once you are here all the little troubles have begun...

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A correspondent recently sent a complaint to the Haifa Post Office, indicating his belief that not all letters addressed to him had been delivered. Just one month later he received a courteous reply stating that the postmen were quite familiar with his place of residence and that all his mail was being delivered. However, the letter went on, if there should be further complaints in this matter, the envelopes of the letters should be forwarded to the Post Office for investigation...

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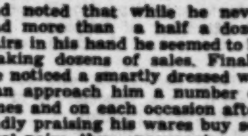
WE watched a hawker selling socks near the Allenby St. Post Office in Tel Aviv last week



and noted that while he never had more than a half a dozen pairs in his hand he seemed to be making dozens of sales. Finally we noticed a smartly dressed woman approach him a number of times and on each occasion after loudly praising his wares buy several pairs, thus encouraging several other passers-by to follow suit. The hawker would then follow her around the corner, give her back her five pound note and receive his socks in exchange. We missed bus after bus following this performance. Finally the hawker caught our eye and before moving on said "That's life you know. She's my wife."

Today's contributors include: Jamil Murad of Ramat Yitzhak; and H.F. and Wgt. of Jerusalem.

Holland Closes Last Dyke

By HENRIETTE BOAS

AMSTERDAM.—

ALL Holland sat up on the night of Nov. 3 for the broadcast from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. of an eyewitness account of the ditching of the last dyke at the island of Schouwen-Duiveland, which ended a tragic chapter — the saddest in Holland's peacetime history caused by the flood disaster of February 1 — just in time before the winter storms. Midnight was chosen when there was a low tide, particularly favourable for the success of what was called 'Operation Four Times Phoenix,' the fixing of the last of the four Phoenix caissons to fill the Ouwerkerk gap.

The small village of Ouwerkerk, and the waters of the sea-arm nearby, had never seen such a host of craft and distinguished visitors, among them Queen Juliana, Prime Minister Drees, members of the Cabinet and of Parliament as well as the countless engineers and workers who had played a part in the tenacious battle with the sea. The Public Works Department had provided magnificent illuminations; 21 reflectors shed their light over a wide surface of the dark and unruly waters from three specially constructed towers each 30 metres high.

Difficult Engineering

The gap near Ouwerkerk was the last and most difficult of the hundreds breached in the dykes of Holland by the February 1 flood. During the month of February alone, 33 breaches were ditched, another 20 in March. The gap near Ouwerkerk, however, was one of the hardest jobs; once, when it seemed near completion, the waters again flooded the structure and an entirely new plan had to be devised.

Eight strong tugboats slowly pushed the mighty Phoenix caisson over the last stretch of water separating it from its final destination, the last gap in the Ouwerkerk dyke. At first the water still gushed through at a rate of four metres a second but slowly the current subsided: the caisson was joined to its neighbour; the flood gate was closed. At a speed of one metre per three minutes, the enormous caisson was slowly lowered to its bed of wood and basalt.

Readers' Letters

SALARY PAYMENTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Deep silence is being observed by all concerned regarding the payment on time of civil servant salaries. The Finance Minister six months ago said that at the beginning of the fiscal year Treasury revenue from taxes is normally slow, thus explaining the difficulties encountered in paying civil servants their salaries on time. Within four months the present fiscal year will end, but salaries to civil servants are still being paid around the 15th of each month. It seems that this has now been adopted as a permanent procedure.

The Civil Servants' Union, too, has not found it necessary to inform its members of the situation, thus leaving them with the feeling about the doubtful purpose of this organization.

Those most concerned — the civil servants themselves—have resignedly accepted the rule of being paid on the 15th of the month. In fact, many of them do not call the date, say, November 15, but October 46...

Yours, etc.,
CIVIL SERVANT
Jerusalem, November 10.

ESHED SERVICE

The Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I beg the courtesy of your column to ask the Management of Eshed, if the following is their idea of the promised improvements in service.

Today at 12.35 I entered a Haifa-bound bus at Ramat Hadassa (near Tiv'on). Instead of following the usual route, the driver entered a narrow unpaved side road. He stopped the bus at a certain house, and delivered two loaves of bread to his family. After that he failed to start the engine. The battery was dead. Owing to the fact that this happened on a narrow unpaved road no other vehicle could come to our rescue. After the driver tried to start the engine in vain for half an hour, we had to walk to Tiv'on a 20 minutes walk and went on from there by bus No. 906. We had only lost 50 minutes.

Public buses are used by drivers to take their families to the pictures or the grocers, but at least one could expect them not to use public transport facilities for private purposes during their working hours.

Yours etc.,
F.M.
Kiryat Motzkin, October 6.

Eshed Replies

The Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Eshed regulations explicitly forbid the use of a bus for the driver's private needs, and heavy fines are imposed upon those contravening the rules.

Since the matter dealt with in F.M.'s letter is singularly severe, having brought undue discomfort to the passengers, the complaint has been referred to the membership tribunal for investigation and action.

Yours etc.,
ESHED PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT
Haifa, October 26.

'TIMES' DISTRIBUTION

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

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Yours, etc.,
Palee Press Company Limited
Tel Aviv, November 8.

Sir Winston Churchill's War Memoirs (XIX)

Plans for Dismembering Germany

The Yalta Conference of February, 1945, held its plenary meetings in the Livadia Palace, where Mr. Roosevelt was accommodated. Stalin and his advisers had their headquarters at the Yusupov Palace, while the principal British delegates were housed five miles away at the Villa Vorontzov.

THE Germans had evacuated the neighbourhood only ten months earlier, and the surrounding buildings had been badly damaged. We were warned that the area had not been completely cleared of mines, except for the grounds of the villa, which were, as usual, heavily patrolled by Russian guards.

Over a thousand men had been at work on the scene before our arrival. Windows and doors had been repaired, and furniture and stores brought down from Moscow.

The setting of our abode was impressive. Behind the villa, half Gothic and half Moorish in style, rose the mountains, covered in snow, culminating in the highest peak in the Crimea. Before us lay the dark expanse of the Black Sea, severe, but still agreeable and warm even at this time of the year.

All Comforts

Every effort was made by our hosts to ensure our comfort, and every chance remark noted with kindly attention. On one occasion Portal had admired a large glass tank with plants growing in it, and remarked that it contained no fish. Two days later a consignment of goldfish arrived. Another time somebody said casually that there was no lemon-peel in the cocktails. The next day a lemon tree loaded with fruit was growing in the hall. All must have come by air from far away.

At three o'clock on Feb. 4, the day after our arrival, Stalin called on me, and we had an agreeable discussion about the war against Germany. He was optimistic. Germany was short of bread and coal; her transport was seriously damaged. I asked what the Russians would do if Hitler moved south—to Dresden, for example. "We shall follow him," was the reply.

He went on to say that the Oder was no longer an obstacle, as the Red Army had several bridgeheads across it and the Germans were using untrained, badly led, and ill-equipped *Volkssturm* for its defence. They had hoped to withdraw trained troops from the Vistula and use them to defend the river, but the Russian armour had bypassed them. Now they had only a mobile or strategic reserve of 20 or 30 badly trained divisions.

When I asked Stalin what he thought of Rundstedt's offensive against the Americans he called it a stupid manoeuvre which had harmed Germany and was done for prestige. The German military body was sick and could not be cured by such methods. The best generals had gone and only Guderian was left, and he was an adventurer.

If the German divisions cut off in East Prussia had been withdrawn in time they might have been used to defend Berlin, but the Germans were foolish. They still had 11 armoured divisions at Budapest, but they had failed to realise that they were no longer a world-Power and could not have forces wherever they wished. They would understand in due time, but it would be too late.

I then showed him my map-room, already fully mounted by Capt. Pim, and after describing our position in the West I asked Field-Marshal Alexander to explain what was happening in Italy. Stalin's comment was interesting. The Germans were unlikely to attack us. Could we not leave a few British divisions on the front and transfer the rest to Yugoslavia and Hungary and direct them against Vienna? Here they could join the Red Army and outflank the Germans who were south of the Alps. He added that we might need a considerable force.

It cost him nothing to say this now, but I made no reproaches. "The Red Army," I answered, "may not give us time to complete the operation."

Military Appraisal

At five o'clock the President, Stalin and I met to review the military situation, and in particular the Russian offensive on the Eastern Front. We heard a detailed account of the progress of the Russian Army, and also set the frame for the coming discussions between our respective Chiefs of Staff.

I said that one of the questions we should consider was how long it would take the enemy to move eight divisions from Italy to the battle-front against Russia, and what counter-action we should take. Perhaps we ought to transfer divisions from Northern Italy to strengthen our attacking forces elsewhere. Another issue was whether we should try to strike at the head of the Adriatic, through the Ljubljana Gap, and join up with the Russian left flank.

The atmosphere of the meeting was most cordial. Gen. Marshall gave us a brilliantly concise account of Anglo-America operations in the West. Stalin said that the Russian offensive in January had been launched as a moral duty, quite unconnected with the decisions made at Teheran, and he now asked how he could continue to help. I replied that now was the moment, when the three Staffs were met together, to review the whole question of military coordination between the Allies.

The first plenary meeting of the Conference started at 4.15 on the afternoon of Feb. 5. We met in the Livadia Palace, and took our seats at a round table. With the three interpreters we were 23. With Stalin and Molotov were Vyshinsky, Maisky, Gousev (the Russian Ambassador at Washington). Pavlov acted as interpreter.

The American delegation was headed by President Roosevelt and Mr. Stettinius, and included Adml. Leahy, Byrnes, Harriman, Hopkins, Matthews (Director of European Affairs in the State Department) and Bohlen (special assistant from the State Department) who also interpreted.

Plans for Surrender

Eden sat beside me, and my own party included Sir Alexander Cadogan (then Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Sir Edward Bridges (then Cabinet Secretary), and Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, our Ambassador in Moscow. Major Birse interpreted for us as he had always done since my first meeting with Stalin at Moscow in 1942.

The discussion opened on the future of Germany, Marshal Stalin asked how Germany was to be dismembered. Were we to have one Government or several, or merely some form of administration? If Hitler surrendered unconditionally should we preserve his Government or refuse to treat with it? At Teheran Mr. Roosevelt had suggested dividing Germany into five parts, and he had agreed with him. I, on the other hand, had hesitated and had only wanted her to be split into two, namely, Prussia and Austria-Bavaria, with the Ruhr and Westphalia under international control. The time had now come, he said, to take a definite decision.

I said that we all agreed that Germany should be dismembered, but the actual method was much too complicated to be settled in five or six days. It would require a very searching examination of the historical, ethnographical, and economic facts, and prolonged examination by a special committee, which would go into the different proposals and advise on them.

There was so much to consider. What to do with Prussia? What territory should be given to Poland and the U.S.S.R.? Who was to control the Rhine valley and the great industrial zones of the Ruhr and the Saar? These were questions which needed profound study, and His Majesty's Government would want to consider carefully the attitude of their two great Allies. A body should be set up at once to examine these matters, and we ought to have its report before reaching any final decision.

I then speculated on the future. If Hitler or Himmler were to come forward and offer unconditional surrender it was clear that our answer should be that we would not negotiate with any of the war criminals. If they were the only people the Germans could produce we should have to go on with the war.

It was more probable that Hitler and his associates would be killed or would disappear, and that another set of people offer unconditional surrender. If this happened, the three Great Powers must immediately consult and decide whether they were worth dealing with or not. If they were, the terms of surrender which had been worked out would be laid before them; if not, the war would be continued and the whole country put under strict military government.

Mr. Roosevelt suggested asking our Foreign Secretaries to produce a plan for studying the question within 24 hours and a definite plan for dismemberment within a month. Here, for a time, the matter was left.

Other questions were discussed, but not settled. The President asked whether the French should be given a zone of occupation in Germany. We agreed that this should certainly be done by allocating to them part of the British and American zones, and that the Foreign Secretaries should consider how this area was to be controlled.

Reparations Scheme

At Stalin's request M. Maisky then expounded a Russian scheme for making Germany pay reparations and for dismantling her munitions industries. I said that the experience of the last war had been very disappointing, and I did not believe it would be possible to extract from Germany anything like the amount which M. Maisky had suggested should be paid to Russia alone.

Britain, too, had suffered greatly. Many buildings had been destroyed. We had parted with much of our foreign investments and were faced with the problem of how to raise our exports sufficiently to pay for the imports of food on which we depended. I doubted whether these burdens could be substantially lightened by German reparations. Other countries had also suffered and would have to be considered.

We eventually agreed that the Russian proposal should be examined by a special commission, which would sit in secret at Moscow. We then arranged to meet next day and consider two topics which were to dominate our future discussions, namely the Dumbarton Oaks scheme for world security and Poland.

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